



TDN KENTUCKY DERBY TOP 20 FOR APR. 26



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by T.D. Thornton

These rankings are in "likeliest winner" order, and they are different from the points leaderboard Churchill Downs uses to determine starting berths. Access that list [here](#). The GI Kentucky Derby can have a field of 20 with four also-eligibles.

1) ZANDON (c, Upstart--Memories Prevail, by Creative Cause)
O-Jeff Drown. B-Brereton C. Jones (KY). T-Chad C. Brown. Sales History: \$170,000 ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GISW, 4-2-1-1, \$713,000. Last Start: 1st GI Toyota Blue Grass S., KEE, Apr. 9. KY Derby Points: 114.

TD ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

Right after the final nine-furlong preps were complete, I felt certain bettors would gravitate toward Zandon (**Upstart**) rather than Epicenter (**Not This Time**) as the Derby favorite. Now I'm not so sure. My rationale was that the wagering public tends to be all over visually impressive horses who win in dramatic fashion, especially if the effort is fresh in the public's mind (recency bias). Although that scenario describes this athletic \$170,000 KEESEP colt's narrative, the price on the more seasoned Epicenter is likely to be skewed downward by the annual betting/hedging endeavor by furniture magnate Jim "Mattress Mack" McIngvale, who has pledged to plunk down **between \$3 and 4 million on this year's Derby favorite.**

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STONY POINT BLOODSTOCK BRINGS NEW INVESTORS TO RACING

by Katie Petrunyak

A group of 15 businesspeople from across the U.S. visited Lexington's horse country this past weekend to get their first taste of all the racing industry has to offer. The enthusiastic group represented Stony Point Bloodstock, which was launched last year by Chilly Bleak Farm's Jim Fitzgerald, Bill Baxter, a veterinarian from Grand Rapids, Michigan, and his son Matt Baxter, founder of a human resource technology startup called Wedge. The trio started the partnership with the goal of setting up a for-profit pinhooking group that would also create an experience for its partners by introducing them to the sport of horse racing.

Stony Point Bloodstock purchased six colts at last year's breeding stock sales that are now developing at Fitzgerald's Chilly Bleak Farm in Virginia. **Cont. p3**

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Fortheluvofbourbon (Bourbon Courage), ridden by Kendrick Carmouche battles to the wire in the \$100,000 Page McKenney H. at Parx Monday. Finishing second was Beren (Weigelia). Fortheluvofbourbon is trained by Michael Pino for Smart Angle LLP.

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STRAIGHT FIRE MAKING WAVES IN CALIFORNIA

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Katie Petrunyak reports on the early success Straight Fire (Dominus) is having in the California stallion ranks despite small early-crop sizes.

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*Keeneland officials announced Monday that an interest in emerging young stallion **Upstart (Flatter)** will be offered at Friday's Keeneland Horses of Racing Age Sale. The share will be the final offering of the auction.*



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Stony Point Brings New Investors to Racing cont. from p1

While this year's group of 20 partners await their yearlings' return to the auction ring, many embraced the fun of their investment by taking a trip to Kentucky to visit the sires of their pinhooks and learn more about the Thoroughbred industry. Their excursion included a day of racing at Keeneland and visits to WinStar Farm and Spendthrift Farm.

"The farms here are incredible," said Ryan Millsap, an investor from Georgia. "Getting out and being connected to nature in this way with the horses is really refreshing. We had a great day at the track yesterday. Everyone really enjoyed the interactions with the horses, the jockeys and the owners."

"It has been a whirlwind over the last 24 hours of learning so much," added Nate Heyboer, a fellow investor from Michigan. "I had no idea all the things that the sport had to offer and how much of a community racing really is. It's been a lot of fun. There are so many different terminologies and there is so much education that goes into knowing the sport. It's a lot more than just a horse running around the track."



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During their visit to Spendthrift Farm, the partnership dropped in on an early-morning breeding session, saw the sires of three of their yearlings, inspected a Spendthrift yearling slated for the sales this year and had the privilege of visiting champion Beholder and her newborn **Curlin** colt.

Their steady stream of questions varied in topic, but all reflected the inner workings of business-oriented minds: How did Into Mischief's stud fee get to be so high? What is the career path of a stallion handler? How do you know this yearling is going to do well at the sale? And jokingly (maybe), how much would it cost for us to buy Beholder's foal?

"It's absolutely enjoyable for me to see people's first reaction to the Bluegrass and the inner workings of the industry," Baxter said. **Cont. p4**



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“I think overall this partnership has been well-received in general, but this weekend has sort of piqued their enthusiasm a bit.”

Stony Point Bloodstock's current roster includes yearlings by Spendthrift first-crop stallions Vino Rosso, Omaha Beach, and Mitole, as well as red-hot sires **Constitution** and **Not This Time**.

Baxter said that a bi-weekly newsletter is sent to the partners to keep them updated on the sextet.

“Jim will do conformation updates and we have had some exciting updates with some of the sires of our colts,” he said. “There are two Not This Times running in the Kentucky Derby and we have one colt by **Not This Time**. I think it's fun for the investors to know their sires are hot and it gets them connected to the rest of the industry.”

Fitzgerald explained that one or two of the yearlings may be sent to the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Selected Yearlings Sale, but

most will likely end up at the Keeneland September Sale.

“The plan is to try to grow it from there,” he said. “Obviously we'd like to have a little success first, but these people are very enthusiastic. Hopefully we can grow the whole thing from there and maybe eventually evolve into having a couple racehorses and maybe a couple broodmares.”

The investors all seemed to have joined the partnership for different reasons. For Heyboer, it was an opportunity to try out a unique type of investment.

“People usually say that if you're going to invest in something, you should know everything about it before you invest, but this is the complete opposite,” he noted. “Most people would say that an investment like this is a little crazy. Maybe it is, but this is one

of the greatest investments I've ever made not just because of the financial possibilities, but just the sheer coolness of it. It's something different.” **Cont. p5**



Stony Point Bloodstock partners enjoy the Keeneland festivities
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*i/f UPSTART**

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HIP 11 MAMASEZ:

*i/f MIDSHIPMAN**

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*i/f CONSTITUTION**

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For Millsap, investing offered him a chance to reconnect with nature.

“It’s easy for people that live in urban environments to get really disconnected from rural life,” he said. “I think we miss out on a lot when we don’t have the connection that we had to horses for thousands of years as humans. I think there’s a spiritual element to interacting with horses that people who are around horses all the time know and love and feel invigorated by, but for those of us that don’t get to do that all the time, I think this is a great mini-substitute.”

Millsap was confident that the trip to Lexington and the up-close experiences he had on the farms sealed his desire to stay involved in racing.

“I think you have to get the hands-on experience to really find the delight in it,” he said. “Certainly we’re investing in order to make money. The returns can be really good if you know what you’re doing, and these guys know what they’re doing, but when you couple that with the ability to get out here and have interactions in a way that you otherwise wouldn’t have had, I think that’s what makes it all worth it.”

He continued, “In order to do any of this stuff well with animals, you have to love the process. I love the horses in their

natural element in the fields even more than I love the racing, but the racing is the essential piece because at the end of the day, it drives the capital. All these things have to be driven by capital and that doesn’t mean there’s not enjoyment, love or passion. It means something has to make money in order to be sustainable, and the racing industry is exactly the same way.”

Heyboer also confirmed that after the partnership’s pinhooks sell this fall, he will be back for more next year with several new partners behind him who are eager to join in the fun.

“I don’t know how I would ever be able to get out now,” he said with a laugh. “This is just so much fun. Even if the first year doesn’t turn out great, we’re definitely going to be back for year two and three. I’ve got a lot of people who are watching how this goes and I think we are going to have a lot more people for year two and three.”

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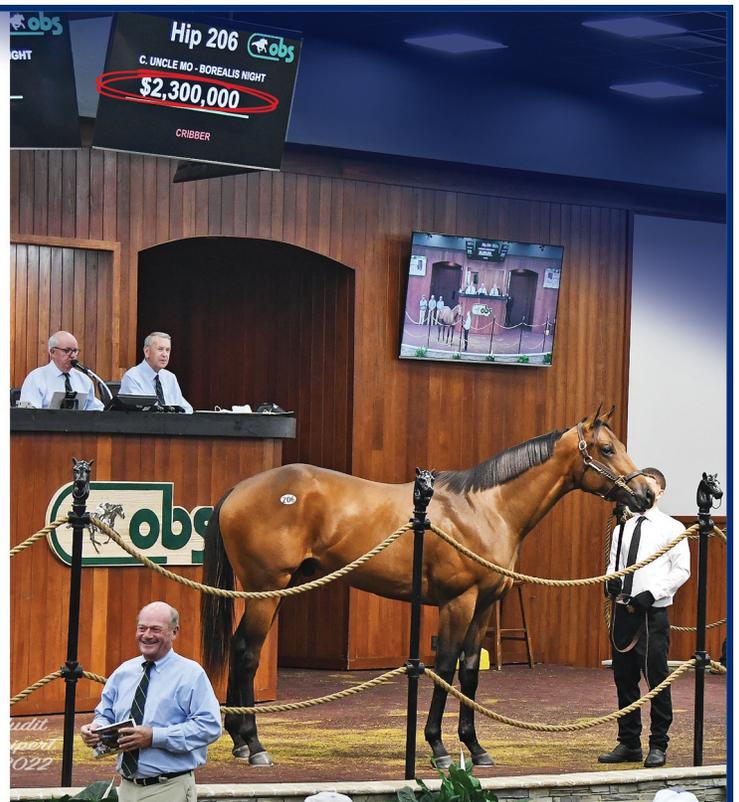
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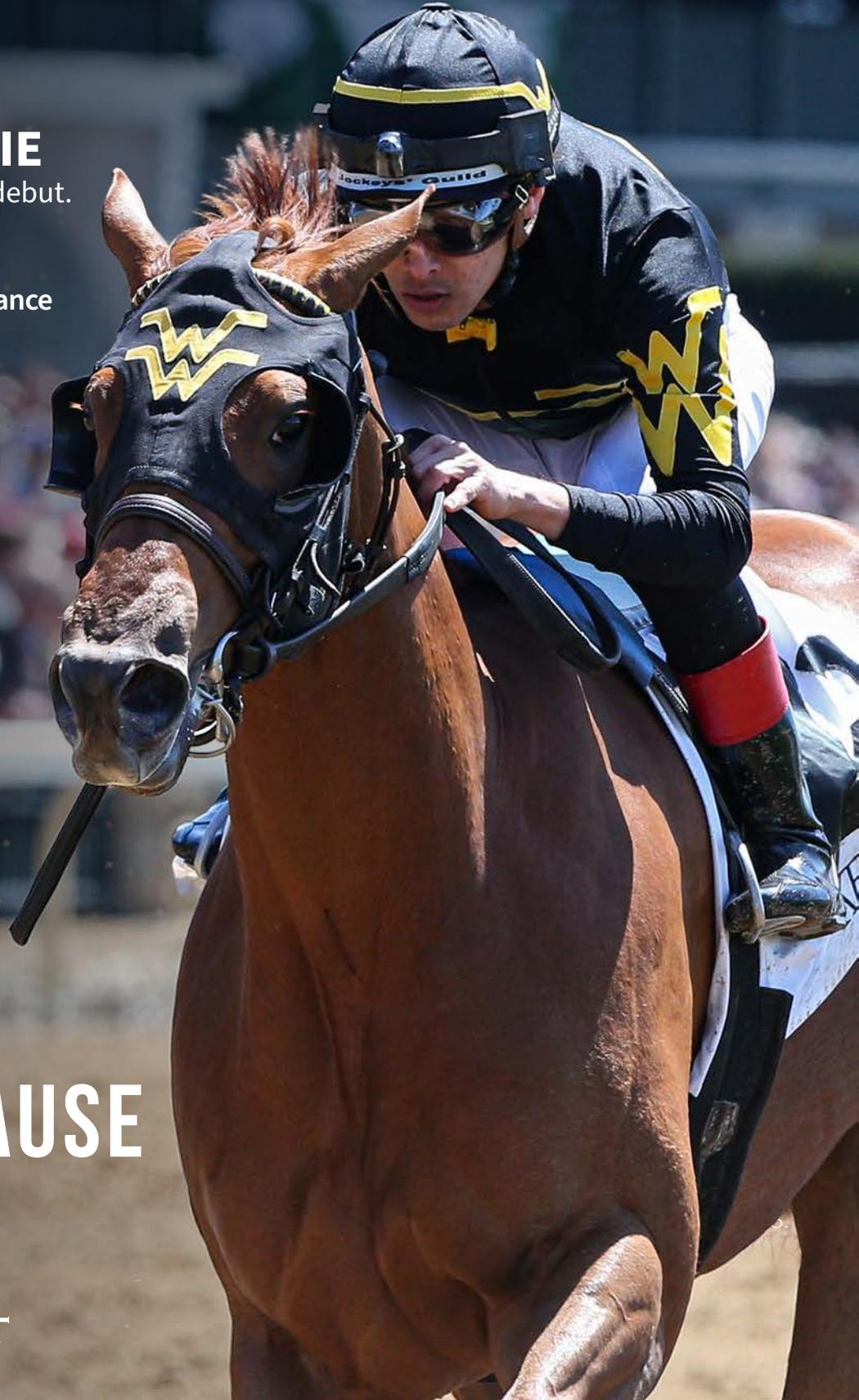
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TDN Derby Top 20 cont. from p1

Last year in a similar promotion, McIngvale was responsible for 25% of the win pool on the (losing) Derby favorite, and it is plausible that his own series of bets are what will make the difference in establishing which of the even-matched colts goes off as the chalk. Writing for *Horse Racing Nation*, Travis Stone, the Churchill Downs announcer (who has experience as a respected morning-line oddsmaker), summed it up like this: "It's hard to imagine someone being a market mover in the biggest pools of the year, but [McIngvale] is. So given the Mack factor, I believe Epicenter must be lowered to 3-1 [favoritism]. I was tempted to go 5-2, the same odds that **Essential Quality** closed at last year, but the competitiveness of Epicenter's main rivals caused hesitation." That's good news if you like Zandon--it presents the rare opportunity to back the most likely Derby winner at odds a touch above his true chances of winning.

2) EPICENTER (c, Not This Time--Silent Candy, by Candy Ride {Arg}) O-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC. B-Westwind Farms (KY). T-Steven M. Asmussen. Sales History: \$260,000 ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 6-4-1-0, \$1,010,639. Last Start: 1st GII Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby. KY Derby Points: 164.

Epicenter has only lost once within the past six months, and that January defeat in the GIII Lecomte S. foretold quite a bit about his even-keeled character and understatedly powerful makeup. He forced the issue on the front end, swatted back a wall of horses at the top of the lane, repulsed a prolonged bid from the favorite through the length of the Fair Grounds stretch, then got nailed the wire by a fresh 28-1 shot before quickly surging back in front several jumps after the finish.

In two subsequent Grade II starts over increasing distances, this \$260,000 KEESEP colt by **Not This Time** has fine-tuned the flow of his races, showing he is confident controlling the tempo without necessarily needing the lead. His ability to be a focused, committed presence through fast splits while still having plenty left to fight off challengers late is something no other horse on this list has mastered over such a broad body of work.

But at what price are you willing to find out if Epicenter's

consistency holds true in the 20-horse Derby? As discussed in Zandon's write-up above, the potential exists for the favorite's odds to be pari-mutually depressed. So the question of bettability could come down to whether you will accept 3-1 odds on a horse who more realistically figures to be a 5-1 proposition.

3) MO DONEGAL (c, Uncle Mo--Callingmissbrown, by Pulpit) O-Donegal Racing. B-Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables (KY). T-Todd A. Pletcher. Sales History: \$250,000 ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 5-3-0-2, \$621,800. Last Start: 1st GII Wood Memorial S., AQU, Apr. 9. KY Derby Points: 112.

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Your opinion on Mo Donegal (\$250,000 KEESEP) in the Derby might come down to whether you think he's the type of horse who routinely "finds" trouble or if he's just consistently unlucky and always seems to be needing to extricate himself from disadvantageous positioning. The truth is probably a little bit of both. And to his credit, this **Uncle Mo** colt does have a knack for snatching victory from the jaws of defeat. Irad Ortiz, Jr. will be back in the irons for the Derby (after Joel Rosario opted to stick with Epicenter). Jerry Crawford of Donegal Racing told Jennie Rees in a **Kentucky HBPA video interview** that that partnership will be a big plus in a crowded field.

"Obviously, you've got to be worried about traffic. I'm thrilled that we have Irad," he said. "If anybody can find a couple of seams, which we'll need to be successful, I think Irad's the person. We've had a lot of 'freight-train' horses--Arklow for example--where you couldn't afford to let the horse get stopped. This horse is a little more athletic; a little more agile. We saw that in the [GII] Wood [Memorial S.], where he went in and he came out pretty effortlessly without losing any momentum. That's an important asset, too, I think, in the Derby." **Cont. p7**



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4) **SMILE HAPPY** (c, **Runhappy**--Pleasant Smile, by Pleasant Tap) 'TDN Rising Star' O-Lucky Seven Stable. B-Moreau Bloodstock Int'l Inc. & White Bloodstock LLC (KY). T-Kenneth G. McPeck. Sales History: \$175,000 wlg '19 KEENOV; \$185,000 ylg '20 FTKSEL. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 4-2-2-0, \$549,810. Last Start: 2nd GI Toyota Blue Grass S. KY Derby Points: 70.



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Smile Happy's stock has tailed off a bit, but I sense he's going to emerge as a "wiseguy" horse as we get closer to Derby day. As a juvenile he was 2-for-2 with a pair of eye-catching far-turn moves to mow down the competition, and this 'TDN Rising Star' was rated No. 1 on this list back in early February.



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The fact that Smile Happy hasn't won in five months doesn't seem to ruffle trainer Kenny McPeek, who has consistently underscored that he wants a Derby contender who will also be fresh for the GI Preakness S., too. Smile Happy closed at 8-1 odds in each of the first three Kentucky Derby Future Wager pools, then at 6-1 in Pool 4 and 9-1 in Pool 5. His overall chances haven't been too badly blemished. But now it's likely he'll go off at 12-1 or better in the Derby itself, significantly higher than how bettors projected his chances through the winter and spring.

5) TIZ THE BOMB (c, Hit It a Bomb--Tiz the Key, by Tiznow)

O-Magdalena Racing, Lessee. B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY). T-Kenneth McPeek. Sales History: \$330,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL. Lifetime Record: MGSW & GISP, 8-5-1-0, \$1,044,401. Last Start: 1st GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks, TP, Apr. 2. KY Derby Points: 110.



EATON SALES SOLD

This \$330,000 FTKSEL colt by Hit It a Bomb could be the juiciest overlay in this year's Derby. While the handicapping world grapples with whether or not he'll adapt to dirt based on one poor showing off a three-month layoff at Gulfstream, I'll take my chances that Tiz the Bomb will, at the very least, outrun inflated odds based on his portfolio of eight races, proven ability to negotiate large fields, and versatility in running style. He's won stakes in fields numbering 10, 12 (twice) and 14 horses, and he's scored on the lead, stalking, and rating from well back. Trainer Kenny McPeek has said he wants Tiz the Bomb closer to the pace in the Derby in an effort to avoid traffic. I won't try to make the case that he's as dominant as some of the proven dirt contenders--that's not the case. But the price on this Grade II grass and Grade III Tapeta winner is likely to drift upward relatively unchecked by the betting public.

6) SIMPLIFICATION (c, Not This Time--Simply Confection, by

Candy Ride {Arg}) O-Tami Bobo. B-France & Irwin Weiner (FL). T-Antonio Sano. Sales History: \$50,000 wlg '19 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 7-3-1-2, \$515,350. Last Start: 3rd GI Curlin Florida Derby. KY Derby Points: 74.

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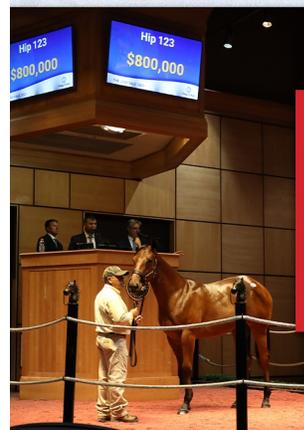
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7) MESSIER (c, Empire Maker--Checkered Past, by Smart Strike)

'**TDN Rising Star**' O-SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Robert E. Masterson, Jay A. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC, Catherine M. Donovan, Golconda Stable & Siena Farm LLC. B-Sam-Son Farm (ON). T-Tim Yakteen. Sales History: \$470,000 ylg '20 FTKSEL. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 6-3-3-0, \$435,600. Last Start: 2nd GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby. KY Derby Points: 40.



Although Messier has been trained by Tim Yakteen for the past month, the Derby foundation for this '**TDN Rising Star**' was laid down by now-suspended trainer Bob Baffert. And there was something different about how Messier was aimed for the Apr. 9 GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby that is worth considering in light of his slightly disappointing second-place effort.

Baffert has won a record nine Santa Anita Derbies. But every one of those winning horses made his last start in March, making Messier's attempt off an eight-week break an anomaly for a Baffert-prepared sophomore. Through the prism of that out-of-the-ordinary angle, you can make the case that this \$470,000 FTKSEL colt actually ran pretty well considering he was likely not wound too tightly for that Apr. 9 prep. Yes, he still lost to a just-graduated maiden stablemate. But Messier vied with the favored pacemaker and hung in for most of the stretch run when challenged anew. As preps go, that effort is now becoming more likeable the farther away it gets in the rear-view mirror.

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8) EARLY VOTING (c, Gun Runner--Amour d'Ete, by Tiznow)

O-Klaravich Stables, Inc. B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY). T-Chad C. Brown. Sales History: \$200,000 ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSW, 3-2-1-0, \$321,500. Last Start: 2nd GI Wood Memorial S. KY Derby Points: 50.

Early Voting remains the highest-ranked contender whose connections have yet to fully commit to a start in the Derby. This \$200,000 KEESEP colt projects to be a part of the Derby pace, and his Wood Memorial near-miss was notable for holding well against the more experienced Mo Donegal after setting a spirited tempo. He's 2-for-3 with only a neck loss to the No. 3 horse on this list, and his ascending Beyer pattern (76, 87, 96) allows for room to improve based on a pedigree that suggests 10 furlongs is within his grasp.

9) BARBER ROAD (c, Race Day--Encounter, by Southern Image)

O-WSS Racing, LLC. B-Susan Forrester & Judy Curry (KY). T-John Alexander Ortiz. Sales History: \$15,000 wlg '19 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: GISP, 8-2-3-1, \$650,720. Last Start: 2nd GI Arkansas Derby. KY Derby Points: 58.

Hughes Bloodstock Weanling Purchase

A number of Derby-aspiring horse owners have unrealistic expectations. Bill Simon, who bought this Race Day gray for a bargain \$15,000 as a KEENOV weanling, isn't among them.

"I know a lot of people say that it's been their dream" to win the Derby, Simon told *TDN's* Katie Petrunyak last week. "It honestly wasn't a dream for us because we never imagined that we could do it."

Barber Road nearly always outruns his odds despite routinely encountering trip trouble, or losing a shoe like he did when second in the GI Arkansas Derby.

"He could have won any one of those," Simon said. "More importantly, he thinks he won every time because he gallops out ahead in every single race so he comes back all happy. Through all his works and races, he's never been tired... I don't know what's going to happen, but I can promise that at the end of the race he's going to be running as hard as he can and he'll be moving forward."

10) CHARGE IT (c, Tapit--I'll Take Charge, by Indian Charlie)

'TDN Rising Star' O/B-Whisper Hill Farm (KY). T-Todd A. Pletcher. Lifetime Record: GISP, 3-1-1-0, \$230,400. Last Start: 2nd GI Curlin Florida Derby. KY Derby Points: 40.

This Whisper Hill Farm homebred by Tapit earned 'TDN Rising Star' honors in his mile MSW win, then ran a very credible second despite some greenness through the lane in the Florida Derby.

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But it's still a big ask for this colt to step up against far more seasoned competition over 10 furlongs in the Kentucky Derby, and a bet on Charge It pulling off the upset rides strictly on what you guess he might be capable of delivering, as opposed to anything concrete in his three-race past-performance block. Trainer Todd Pletcher has cited Charge It's good disposition, the fact that he's training well, and his impeccable breeding to cover a distance of ground as positives heading toward May 7.

11) TAIBA (c, Gun Runner--Needmore Flattery, by Flutter)
'TDN Rising Star' O-Zedan Racing Stables Inc. B-Bruce C Ryan (KY). T-Tim Yakteen. Sales History: \$140,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$1,700,000 2yo '21 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: GISW, 2-2-0-0, \$490,200. Last Start: 1st GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby, SA, Apr. 9. KY Derby Points: 100.



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Daily Racing Form's Jay Privman broke the news over the weekend that Taiba will have only one published workout between his **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby win and the Kentucky Derby, with "strong gallops" instead comprising the bulk of his training. It's yet another against-the-grain angle as this **'TDN Rising Star'** attempts to defy convention by winning the first leg of the Triple Crown off of two blistering triple-digit Beyer wins in a career arc that dates only to Mar. 5.

Taiba benefitted from his stablemate Messier doing the dirty work to crack the pacemaker in the Santa Anita Derby, but this son of **Gun Runner** (\$140,000 FTKOCT; \$1.7 million FTFMAR) was very much into the bridle and relentless in his pursuit of that more seasoned rival the entire length of the stretch. Too much hype and not enough experience? Probably. But the wild-card nature of Taiba's meteoric rise will be one of the most compelling story lines in this year's Derby.

12) WHITE ABARRIO (c, Race Day--Catching Diamonds, by Into Mischief) O-C2 Racing Stable LLC & La Milagrosa Stable, LLC. B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY). T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. Sales History: \$7,500 ylg '20 OBSWIN; \$40,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: GISW, 5-4-0-1, \$823,650. Last Start: 1st GI **Curlin** Florida Derby. KY Derby Points: 112.

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This Race Day gray (\$7,500 OBSWIN; \$40,000 OBSMAR) has only lost once from four starts. He enjoyed clear sailing in his two graded stakes scores over his home court at Gulfstream, racking up 97 (GIII Holy Bull S.) and 96 Beyers (Florida Derby). He was also third in the most meaningful juvenile prep race from last autumn (GII Kentucky Jockey Club S.). A legit concern is the tepid final furlong from the Florida Derby.

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The :14.09 clocking was the second-slowest final eighth among all nine-furlong preps in 2021-22, and White Abarrio won't be afforded a similarly lethargic late-race stretch run in the Kentucky Derby.



White Abarrio | Ryan Thompson

13) Zozos (Munnings): Zozos hasn't gotten out much in the afternoons (just three races). But he keeps good company. The runner-up and third-place horse from his Jan. 23 MSW score both won their next starts. His Feb. 11 allowance victory yielded a next-out winner among the also-rans. And the stakes debut of this 'TDN Rising Star' in the GII Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby equated to a decent second-place showing behind Epicenter. But his relative inexperience, six weeks between starts, and sprint-slanted pedigree might be too much for Zozos to overcome at 10 furlongs.

14) Classic Causeway (Giant's Causeway): Three weeks after an inexplicably poor last-place showing in the Florida Derby in which this former No. 1-ranked colt faltered badly on the front end, trainer Brian Lynch on Monday declared Classic Causeway back in the Derby, citing a desire to "put a line through that race" and "roll the dice." This homebred for Kentucky West Racing and Clarke Cooper had previously wired both the GIII Davis S. and the GII Lambholm South Tampa Bay Derby, but earned soft Beyers in each (88 for the Davis, and his original 84 for the Tampa Derby has since been readjusted to an 86). "I looked for every excuse not to run him in there after he threw craps at the Gulfstream race," Lynch told *Horse Racing Nation*. "I've got two old boys between them with 160 years of living. Their dream has been to run in the Kentucky Derby. I argued and tried to make a case for not running. After watching him work the other day and seeing how he had come out of it, I guess the horse deserves a chance to run."

15) Crown Pride (Jpn) (Reach the Crown {Jpn}): Christophe Lemaire has been dominant riding in Japan since switching his tack there full-time five years ago, and he'll partner with the Japan-based GII UAE Derby victor in Louisville for the first time. He figures to seek a stalking trip, and Crown Pride has more experience than most Stateside horses in negotiating sizable fields. Japan-based horses have gone 0-for-3 in the Derby; winners of the UAE Derby are 0-for-11.



Crown Pride | Horsephotos

16) Tawny Port (Pioneer of the Nile): Can you name the only horse ever to parlay wins in the GIII Lexington S. and Kentucky Derby? That would be Charismatic. He was 31-1 when he won the 1999 Derby, and this \$430,000 KEESSEP colt will likely go off higher than that when he attempts the same feat this year. But long Derby odds are nothing new for owner Peachtree Stable, whose colors were carried by Invisible Ink to a 55-1 second in the 2001 Derby. Tawny Port is a little light speed figures-wise, having earned a 90 Beyer only once from three Tapeta tries and a pair of dirt races that clocked in at 86 and 89.

17) Cyberknife (Gun Runner): This high-energy \$400,000 FTKSEL colt won his qualifying points against a subpar group in the Arkansas Derby by barreling through the pack and swerving through the lane. Cyberknife's overall body of work and career-best 92 Beyer don't leap off the past-performance page screaming, "Bet me!" But he's improving at the right time, and maturity might add some swagger and polish to his reputation as a hard-to-handle horse.

18) Un Ojo (Laoban): This gelding is parked pretty far down the likely to win list. But the reality is Un Ojo should be able to drop back, save ground, and start picking off stragglers who are spent by the far turn. **Cont. p13**

Exactly how many horses this one-eyed New York-bred ends up passing is what's up for debate. Un Ojo would need to run the race of his life while a slew of better credentialed contenders all fail to fire in order to end up draped in a blanket of roses. That's not very plausible based on his past performances—but it's exactly how perceived no-hopers Mine That Bird and Giacomo orchestrated 50-1 upsets in 2009 and 2005.

19) Summer Is Tomorrow (Summer Front): He's fast, but can he last? Late Triple Crown supplement and three-time auction entrant (\$25,000 KEENOV; \$14,000 RNA at KEESEP; \$169,743 ARQDEA) led for as long as he could in the G2 UAE Derby. But this six-time sprinter will have to deal with markedly ramped-up early pressure at Churchill with multiple waves of closers coming from behind. Mickael Barzalona will again be aboard in Louisville.

20) Happy Jack (Oxbow): Pie-in-the-sky longshots have always been a part of Derby lore. In this qualifying-points era, a colt like Happy Jack gets in on the basis of a distant third in a short-field Grade I stakes. An RNA at KEENOV, this colt won sprinting at first asking at 24-1 odds while racing on Lasix and has been beaten an aggregate 49 1/2 lengths in three subsequent non-Lasix stakes routes.

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STRAIGHT FIRE MAKING WAVES IN CALIFORNIA

by Katie Petrunyak

With just 26 named foals in his first crop, 'TDN Rising Star' Straight Fire (Dominus--Tricky Indy, by A.P. Indy) is reeling off some impressive statistics as his young stock are making waves in California.

Last year, while based at Legacy Ranch, Straight Fire produced 10 winners from 13 runners with his first crop of 2-year-olds. So far in 2022, he has had six winners from 10 runners including dual stakes winner Straight Up G and also a pair of sophomores that swept the California-bred stakes on the Santa Anita Derby undercard earlier this month. Power Surge won the Evening Jewel S. and Smuggler's Run took the Echo Eddie S. while another son of Straight Fire, What in Blazes, finished third in the Echo Eddie.

Straight Fire's three stakes winners already this year rank the sire first among North American second-crop sires by stakes winners from named foals. Among the same group of sires, he also ranks first by stakes winners from runners at 30% and is second only to **Gun Runner** with his average earnings of over \$50,000 per starter.

Bred by Spendthrift Farm, Straight Fire was a \$250,000 yearling purchase by Solis and Litt Bloodstock at the 2015 Fasig-Tipton July Sale. He was sent to Eddie Woods and showed promise from the start.

"We thought he was special," Jason Litt recalled. "The horse always had a great attitude. He loved to train and was easy to be around. When we got him to the track, he was tremendously fast and naturally precocious."

As a juvenile, the colt broke his maiden second time out at Del Mar by 10 1/2 lengths to earn his 'Rising Star' badge. He was then second to MGSW Klimt (**Quality Road**) in the GI Del Mar Futurity and ran third in the GI FrontRunner S. While he suffered a career-ending injury and was unable to return to the starting gate as a 3-year-old, his connections were so impressed by his juvenile campaign that they pursued a stallion career for their precocious bay.



Straight Fire has produced three stakes winners already in 2022
Legacy Ranch

Straight Fire began his stallion career at Legacy Ranch in 2018 for a group of shareholders that included Legacy Ranch, Jim Rome's Jungle Racing, LNJ Foxwoods, Kim and Kevin Nish's KMN Racing, Andrew Molasky, Rigney Racing, Equine Analysis and Solis/Litt Bloodstock. In his first two years at stud, the stallion was solely supported by his shareholders and bred a total of 66 mares.

This year will look quite different for the stallion. After the success of his juveniles, Straight Fire's stud fee was increased from \$3,500 to \$7,500, but he already has 60 mares on his book this year coming in from an array of outside breeders.

Straight Fire's first crop did not see the sales ring as they were yearlings in 2020 so the owners opted to race them themselves to avoid the uncertain market during COVID. From Straight Fire's second crop of 20 foals, five yearlings saw the sales ring last year to average nearly \$50,000.

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This year he was represented by a 2-year-old colt that delivered the fastest one-furlong breeze of the Texas 2-Year-Old in Training Sale and later sold for \$80,000.

Litt explained that when they first launched Straight Fire's stud career, their goal was to produce quality runners for the lucrative 2-year-olds races at Del Mar. Now that the first crop has surpassed shareholders' original expectations as 2-year-olds, Litt said he believes there could be more to come this year for the stallion as his first crop continues to develop and his second crop hits the racetrack.

"His offspring are like him in that they have great minds, they love to train and they have tremendous natural speed," he said. "If you watch their races, they instantly break on top naturally. It's one thing to get one good runner, but when there are five or six from a small crop that you're happy with, that's fun."

Power Surge, winner of the Evening Jewel S., was part of the first crop that was sent to the racetrack rather than the sales ring. She was started by Susan Montanye of SBM Training, who broke several Straight Fire progeny for LNJ Foxwoods and their partners.



Power Surge claims the 2022 Evening Jewel S. | Benoit

"She was very cool," Montanye recalled. "She was very easy and always had a lot of game. That's how all of the Straight Fires have been for me. Every time you ask them to do something, they always said yes and they are wanting to do more. They seem to be forward, early horses."

The filly was sent to trainer Blaine Wright in California along with several other Straight Fire progeny.

"From early on we thought Power Surge was one of the best ones I had in my possession," Wright recalled. "She was very precocious and has never done a thing wrong. I've pretty much had Straight Fire fillies up to this point, but the horse throws good bone and they're good-minded and tenacious."

Power Surge broke her maiden at second asking as a juvenile

last year. Since then, she has placed in all but one of her five career starts.

"As she has gotten more races into her, she has leveled out as a racehorse," Wright explained. "Now she can turn it off pretty easy when you ask her in the morning and turn it back on when you want her to. She has ran well on synthetic, but she showed a different level on dirt in the stakes race. After watching her gallop out after that race, it looks like she might get up to a mile. She posted good fractions and did everything the right way."

Power Surge will be the first horse of racing age by Straight Fire offered at auction when she sells as **Hip 22** this week at the Fasig-Tipton April Digital Selected Sale, which closes Tuesday, April 26 at 2 p.m. Litt explained that because the original intention was to sell Straight Fire's first crop, Power Surge's connections believe that now is the prime time to offer the filly after her stakes victory.

Wright believes the possibilities are endless with Power Surge for the remainder of her sophomore campaign and beyond.

"A filly like her, I think you could probably run her on any surface," he said. "One thing you can't put into them is a racehorse, and she's got it."

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SHARE IN UPSTART OFFERED AT KEENELAND APRIL



Upstart | EquiSport Photos

Officials at Keeneland announced they will offer a share in **Upstart** (r, 10, **Flatter**-Party Silks, by Touch Gold), sire of leading classic prospects GISW Zandon and MGSW Kathleen O. in his second crop, at its April Horses of Racing Age Sale, to be held following the races on closing day Friday, Apr. 29. The share will be the final offering of the sale. Shareholder involvement will begin with the 2023 breeding season. **Cont. p15**

Upstart, who stands at Airdrie Stud in Midway, Kentucky, is a graded stakes-winner who earned \$1.7 million. Other notable progeny includes 'TDN Rising Star' Green Up, a 3-year-old filly with two wins and a second in three career starts, including a four length allowance victory at Gulfstream Apr. 21; MGISP and 'TDN Rising Star' Reinvestment Risk, a 4-year-old colt who was second in the recent GI Carter H.; and Masqueparade, winner of the 2021 GIII Ohio Derby.

"What **Upstart** is doing right now is really pretty incredible," Airdrie Stud Vice President Bret Jones said. "Zandon and Kathleen O. are the headliners, but there's so much depth in each of those first two crops. Reinvestment Risk, Green Up and Masqueparade all look poised for breakout seasons, and **Upstart**'s 2-year-olds have averaged over \$300,000 at the juvenile sales this year. He throws beautiful sales horses that can handle their early training and get better with racing. And he's shown the ability to sire not only quality horses, but elite horses. He's on that climb right now that the really top sires all make."

The winning bidder will have the right to offer to purchase the share for the hammer price subject to a 24-hour post-auction inspection period during which the winning bidder may review all applicable documentation. The winning bidder may only purchase the share upon satisfactory review by the parties and the satisfaction or waiver of any applicable rights of first refusal or other restrictions under the syndicate agreement. Interested parties should contact Bret Jones or Ben Henley at Airdrie Stud at (859) 873-7270 for additional information regarding the share, or to inspect the stallion.

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TDN SNIPPETS



SNIPPETS: WEEK OF APR. 18 - APR. 24

by Patrycja Szpyra

There was history being made this past week and there is history yet to be made. Break out your encyclopedias, your preferred tomes of ancient references, any long-dusty papers from years past, and enjoy the show.

Royal Ascot bound?

The former Wesley Ward-trained **No Nay Never** had two 'TDN Rising Stars', Ballydoyle's Deneuve (filly) and Aesop's Fables (colt), over the span of three days in Ireland. That also makes it five winners from seven juvenile runners for Mr. O'Brien this season. Roll on Ascot...

History in the making?

This year we have not one, not two, but seven stallions with the potential to pull off a Derby-Oaks sire double, something that hasn't been done since Native Dancer sired the winners of both races 56 years ago. In the 147 years of Derby-Oaks history, the feat has been accomplished exactly four times.

Busy, busy...

Chad Schumer was the sale's top buyer at OBS last week, taking home 15 horses for \$3.03-million. They ranged from a \$30,000 **Kantharos** colt (Hip 1192) to a \$800,000 **Justify** filly (Hip 1139).



Letruska and trainer Fausto Gutierrez | Sarah Andrew

Who run the world? Girls.

Letruska joined elite, and truly rarified air with her successful defense of her GI Apple Blossom title over another Apple Blossom winner in Ce Ce. Only three other mares have accomplished the feat of multiple wins in Oaklawn's signature event for dirt distaffers dating back to 1973, and their names grace the walls in the Hall of Fame: Paseana (Arg), Azeri, and Zenyatta.

McCraken throws a firecracker...

Airdrie Stud stallions just keep rolling out the winners as this freshman sire claimed his first starter and winner at the ever-competitive Keeneland Spring meet. Crackalacking was a modestly sold runner--\$15,000 at KEEJAN and \$20,000 KEESEP last year--who blitzed the field by five lengths.

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MEDINA SPIRIT NAMED FLORIDA-BRED HORSE OF THE YEAR

Medina Spirit (Protonico) was named the 2021 Florida-bred Horse of the Year in a vote by the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' and Owners' Association board of directors and announced at the FTBOA Awards Gala held Monday night at the Circle Square Cultural Center in Ocala.

Bred in Florida by Gail Rice, who was honored with her second consecutive Needles Award Monday evening as the Association's small breeder of the year, and Medina Spirit's dam **Mongolian Changa** (Brilliant Speed) was also named the FTBOA Broodmare of the Year in a vote by the board.

Mrs. John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor, Derrick Smith and Westerberg's **Golden Pal** (**Uncle Mo**) was the most decorated Florida-bred on the night having been named the Florida-bred Champion 3-Year-Old Male, Florida-bred Champion Sprinter and Florida-bred Champion Male Turf Horse.

Trained by Wesley Ward, Golden Pal became the first Florida-bred to win two Breeders' Cup events when he dominated the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint at Del Mar. In 2020, the first foal out of Lady Shipman (**Midshipman**) won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Sprint at Keeneland.

The other winners from FTBOA's Awards Gala included: Shifty She (Gone Astray), Champion Turf Female and Older Mare; Pappacap (**Gun Runner**), Champion 2-Year-Old Colt; Outfoxed (**Valiant Minister**), Champion 2-Year-Old Filly; Livingmybestlife (**The Big Beast**), Champion 3-Year-Old Filly; Firenze Fire (Poseidon's Warrior), Champion Older Male; Sound Machine (Into Mischief), Champion Female Sprinter; Khozan, Stallion of the Year; Live Oak Stud, Breeder of the Year.

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The TOBA Ownership Seminar is aimed towards all levels of education - from prospective to new owners, to knowledgeable owners or industry professionals and enthusiasts looking to continue their education. The seminar is open to the general public, with a special discount for TOBA members. Meals, materials, access to racing in the afternoon, and a TOBA gift bag are included with registration. Registration is available online until Sunday, May 1 at toba.memberclicks.net/seminars-clinics.

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TUESDAY INSIGHTS: WELL-RELATED GOLDENCENTS FIRSTER RIGHT TO THE RACES

by Alan Carasso

3rd-Parx, \$42K, Msw, 2yo, 2f, post time: 1:49 p.m. ET

Less than six weeks after selling to owner Richard Malouf for \$100,000 at the OBS March Sale, **FERRARI KID (Goldencents)** looks to recoup some of that investment in the first race of the season for the 2-year-old males. A :21 1/5 breezer in Central Florida during his Mar. 11 under-tack preview, the bay son of Catch the Flag (A.P. Indy) is a half-brother to SW Checkered Past (Smart Strike), whose '**TDN Rising Star**' MGSW/GISP son Messier (Empire Maker) is set to represent the Tim Yakteen barn in the GI Kentucky Derby in a little less than two weeks. Catch the Flag is a daughter of champion Catch the Ring (Seeking the Gold), herself the dam of Sovereign Award winner Catch the Thrill (A.P. Indy) and granddam of SW **Curlin's** Catch (**Curlin**). Frankie Pennington, who won Monday's fillies' race aboard **Condescending** (Exaggerator), has the call for trainer Scott Lake.

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The winner's dam, a half-sister to this year's GIII Gotham S. third Dean's List (**Speightstown**), is also represented by the yearling filly Bonnie Parker (**World of Trouble**) and a Goldencents filly foaled Mar. 14. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$35,280. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or **VIDEO**, sponsored by TVG.

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CONDESCENDING (f, 2, Exaggerator--Tiz Rude, by Tiznow) was sent off the 12-5 second favorite in the first local juvenile race and it was over from the break, as the homebred soon showed in front and crossed the wire a 2 1/2-length winner. Chance Occurrence (Hoppertunity) was second, a head better than Amira Wins (**Always Dreaming**).



AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS

ABROAD

IN JAPAN:

Lemon Pop, c, 4, **Lemon Drop Kid**. See '*US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan*'

Jasper Dream, c, 4, **Speightstown**--Liberated (GSP, \$169,808), by **Curlin**. Hanshin, 4-23, Allowance, 1800m (\$165k), 1:53.1. Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-0, \$209,588. O-Kazuo Kato; B-G Watts Humphrey Jr (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori. *\$125,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.



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IN SOUTH KOREA:

Namsanui Byeol, c, 4, **Dialed In**--Call the Kitty (GSP, \$126,794), by Langfuhr. Seoul, 4-23, Hcp. (C3), 1800m. B-Dede McGehee (KY). *1/2 to Shesakitty (**Tapit**), GSP. **\$21,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$37,000 2yo '20 OBSMAR. **VIDEO (SC 8)**

Black Musk, c, 4, **Flat Out**--Upjumpedthedevel, by Tizdejavu. Seoul, 4-24, Hcp. (C1), 1400m. B-Scott Moran (KY). *\$10,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT; \$35,000 2yo '20 OBSJUN. **VIDEO (SC 3)**

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American-Bred Winners in South Korea cont.

Eoma Eoma, h, 5, **Algorithms**--Lignite, by Run Away and Hide.

Busan, 4-24, Busan Ilbo Sprint (NBT) (\$359k), 1200m.

B-Gatewood Bell, Wesley Ward, Bret Jones, Wes Welker & Drew Fleming (KY). *\$1,200 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$14,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$60,000 2yo '19 OBSJUN. **VIDEO (SC 2)**

Soul Merit, c, 5, **American Pharoah**--Placentia, by Bernardini.

Seoul, 4-23, Hcp. (C2), 1400m. B-Rosedown Racing Stables LLC (KY). *\$135,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. **VIDEO (SC 10)**



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Maestranza, f, 3, **Cupid**--Perazzi, by Curlin. Monterrico, 4-24, Maiden, 1800mT. B-Yoshida, Brock, Collins, Crawford, Doyle & Vanbeek (KY). *\$12,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT. **VIDEO (SC 2)**

Balan Balan, c, 3, **Honor Code**--Seeking the Heart (MSP), by Seeking the Gold. Monterrico, 4-22, Allowance, 1800mT. B-Jacalyn M Tillman LLC (KY). *Won by 9 1/2 lengths. **1/2 to Indycott (A.P. Indy), SP, \$455,824. ***\$80,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$50,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP. **VIDEO (SC 2)**

Grano de Oro, c, 4, **Mshawish**--Tap Dance (GSW, \$378,176), by Pleasant Tap. Monterrico, 4-23, Premio Miguel A Checa Eguiguren-G3, 1900mT. B-Mshawish Syndicate & Lannister Holdings (KY). *1ST GROUP WIN. **\$14,000 Ylg '19 OBSJAN; \$22,000 RNA Ylg '19 OBSOCT. **VIDEO (SC 4)**

**Sunday's Results:**

10th-Tokyo, ¥35,530,000 (\$278k), Allowance, 4yo/up, 1400m, 1:22.8, ft.

LEMON POP (c, 4, Lemon Drop Kid--Unreachable, by Giant's Causeway) won his first two career starts in late 2020, including the Kentucky Derby points race Cattleya S. over this track's one-turn mile, but went missing for 13 months thereafter. Runner-up in two tries off the layoff this past December and January, he returned to winning ways with a 3 1/2-length success over track and distance Jan. 30. Favored at 2-5 to take this next step, the \$70,000 Keeneland November weanling bounced well and stalked the pace from second for the opening five furlongs. Ready to pounce in upper stretch, he was given his head 300 meters from home and shot clear to take it by six emphatic lengths.

Lemon Pop is one of three winners from four to the races for his dam, a daughter of Danehill (Danzig)'s four-time graded-stakes winning full-sister Harpia. Danehill was also a full-brother to MGSW Shibboleth and GSW Eagle Eyed and a half to SW/GSP Euphonic (The Minstrel). Unreachable is the dam of a 3-year-old colt by **Practical Joke**, and--after being led out unsold on a bid of \$55,000 at KEEJAN in 2020--produced a colt by **Good Magic** that sold to China Horse Club/Gandharvi for \$325,000 at Fasig-Tipton Saratoga last summer. Unreachable is also the dam of a yearling colt by the latter sire and was most recently covered by **Maclean's Music**. Sales history: \$70,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 6-4-2-0, \$557,652. **VIDEO (SC 8)** O-Godolphin; B-Mr & Mrs Oliver S Tait (KY); T-Hiroyasu Tanaka.

Foaled & Sold by Blandford Stud for Mr. and Mrs. Tait

**IN AUSTRALIA:**

Tijuana (Aus), c, 2, **American Pharoah**--Mexican Rose (NZ) (Hwt. 3yo Filly-Sin, Hwt. 4yo Filly-Sin at 5-7f, MSW-Sin, \$464,968), by Volksraad (GB). Flemington, 4-25, ANZAC Day S.-Listed (\$115k), 1400mT, 1:24.42. B-Eureka Cambooya Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd, Black Soil Bloodstock (Qld). *1ST STAKES WIN. **A\$100,000 Ylg '21 MMGCYS.

Mirra View (Aus), f, 3, **More Than Ready**--Mirrasalo (Aus) (GSW-Aus, \$202,646), by Redoute's Choice (Aus). Kensington, 4-25, Hcp., 1300mT, 1:19.99. B-Bennelong Bloodstock (NSW). *1/2 to Mirra Vision (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}), GSW & G1SP-Aus, \$430,535.

IN CHILE:

Racatan (Chi), c, 2, **Lookin At Lucky**--Magia Para Todos (Chi) (GSW-Chi), by **Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)**. Club Hipico, 4-22, Premio Cotejo de Potrillos-G3, 1300mT, 1:14.70. B-Haras Don Alberto. *1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST STAKES WIN. **VIDEO (SC 1)**

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, APRIL 26
2022 Stud Fees Listed

Accelerate (Lookin At Lucky), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000
 124 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Parx Racing, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 2f, Akiva, 9-2
 \$3,200 FTK OCT yrl

City of Light (Quality Road), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000
 100 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Parx Racing, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 2f, Kriya's City, 6-1
 \$2,500 KEE JAN wnl

The Lieutenant (Street Sense), Sequel New York
 29 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Parx Racing, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 2f, Baytown Melody, 5-1
 \$4,000 FTK OCT yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, APRIL 26
2022 Stud Fees Listed

Dortmund (Big Brown), Great Hill Farm, private
 19 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Parx Racing, 2:43 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Cave Man, 4-1
 \$55,000 EAS OCT yrl; \$16,000 OBS APR 2yo

General a Rod (Roman Ruler), Hidden Springs Farm
 6 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:07 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Indy Lites,
 15-1

Keen Ice (Curlin), Calumet Farm, \$7,500
 191 foals of racing age/30 winners/1 black-type winner
 5-Parx Racing, 2:43 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Ice Bar, 5-1
 \$130,000 FTK NOV wnl; \$85,000 RNA FTK SEL yrl; \$16,000 OBS
 APR 2yo

Lord Nelson (Pulpit), Spendthrift Farm
 159 foals of racing age/18 winners/1 black-type winner
 8-Thistledown, 4:20 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Quimby, 5-1
 \$28,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$19,000 RNA FTK FEB yrl

Practical Joke (Into Mischief), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000
 267 foals of racing age/38 winners/6 black-type winners
 3-Finger Lakes, 2:04 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Practical Paulie, 6-5
 \$9,500 FTK OCT yrl; \$30,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Shaman Ghost (Ghostzapper), Adena Springs North, \$7,500
 115 foals of racing age/21 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Thistledown, 3:50 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Lewd, 3-1
 \$3,200 FTK OCT yrl



STAKES RESULTS:

UNIQUE BELLA S., \$107,050, Parx Racing, 4-25, (S), 3yo/up, f/m,
 7f, 1:25.03, ft.

1--**CINNABUNNY, 128, m, 5, Golden Lad--English Mum, by Congrats.** (\$240,000 4yo '21 KEENOV). O-Runnymoore Racing LLC; B-Shooting Star Stable (PA); T-Cathal A Lynch; J-Jorge Ruiz. \$56,400. Lifetime Record: GSP, 14-7-1-3, \$279,120.

2--**Ninetypercentbrynn, 122, f, 4, Weigelia--Amblin Easy, by Private Interview. 1ST BLACK-TYPE.** O/B-LC Racing LLC (PA); T-Robert E Reid Jr. \$23,500.

3--**Wildcat Cartridge, 122, m, 8, Messner--Her Lady Grace, by Lord Carson.** O/T-Silvino Ramirez; B-Donald L Brown (PA). \$11,750.

Margins: NK, 2 1/4, 1. Odds: 2.30, 42.80, 48.40.

PAGE MCKENNEY H., \$104,750, Parx Racing, 4-25, (S), 3yo/up,
 7f, 1:23.49, ft.

1--**FORTHELUVOFBOURBON, 124, g, 5, Bourbon Courage--Nosubstituteforluv, by Not For Love.** O-Smart Angle LLP; B-Hidden Acres 4-D Farm (PA); T-Michael V Pino; J-Kendrick Carmouche. \$57,000. Lifetime Record: 18-7-1-3, \$324,200.

2--**Beren, 123, c, 4, Weigelia--Silmaril, by Diamond.** O-St. Omer's Farm & Christopher J Feifarek; B-Susan C Quick & Christopher J Feifarek (PA); T-Robert E Reid Jr. \$23,750.

3--**I Am Redeemed, 128, c, 4, Redeemed--One Smart Philly, by Smarty Jones.** O/B-Larry Rebbecchi (PA); T-Penny Pearce. \$9,500.

Margins: NK, 1 3/4, 1 3/4. Odds: 5.50, 3.70, 0.80.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Parx Racing, \$55,940, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 4-25, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.97, ft, neck.

ALLEVARE (g, 3, Overanalyze--Discretlin, by Discreetly Mine)

Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$75,270. O-Carguys Racing LLC; B-Edward J & Steven E Bussinger (PA); T-John C Servis.

8th-Parx Racing, \$50,680, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 4-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41.50, ft, neck.

OWEN'S PLEASURE (f, 4, Mark Valeski--Revengefulpleasure, by Stephen Got Even) Lifetime Record: 18-5-3-4, \$158,352.

O-Peter D Mattson; B-Paul Knapper (MN); T-Jamie Ness.

*\$5,000 Ylg '19 MNSAUG.

9th-Sunray, \$49,000, 4-24, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.97, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

MADDIE POPPE (f, 4, Indian Firewater--Cadence, by Curlin)

Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$53,760. O/B-Mason Meadows (NM); T-Nancy Summers.

7th-Thistledown, \$38,400, (S), 4-25, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.08, sy, 5 3/4 lengths.

UOTTALIKEIT (c, 3, Bold Warrior--Poco Uno, by E Dubai)

Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$68,855. O-Authentic Racing, LLC; B-Hal Snowden (OH); T-Ivan Calderon.

5th-Thistledown, \$35,800, (S), 4-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:14.72, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

MISSION GIRL (f, 3, Commissioner--Brier Hill Girl, by Dark Kestrel) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$61,478. O-Marion F Gorham; B-Raimonde Farms Ltd & Beechwood Racing Stables (OH); T-Robert M Gorham.

6th-Thistledown, \$35,800, (S), 4-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.88, sy, 3/4 length.

INDELIBLE IMAGE (f, 4, Ready's Image--Music Miss, by Prospector's Music) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-0, \$61,966.

O/B-Nancy J Lavrich (OH); T-Richard Zielinski. *Full to Rivers Run Deep, MSW, \$1,187,945.

8th-Golden Gate Fields, \$33,124, 4-24, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.32, fm, 3/4 length.

NATURAL COLOUR (GB) (f, 4, Exceed And Excel {Aus}--Safiyna {Fr}, by Sinnandar {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-1, \$32,455.

O-Ronald L Charles & Samuel Gordon; B-Safiyna Partnership (GB); T-Manuel Badilla. *\$7,000gns Wlg '18 TATFOA; 72,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT; 17,000gns 4yo '22 TATFEB.

3rd-Will Rogers Downs, \$26,400, (S), 4-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.59, my, neck.

QUEENOFHERAINBOW (f, 3, Blueskiesrainbows--

Queenlasefa, by Sefapiano) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-0, \$42,321. O/B-Bad Boy Racing LLC (OK); T-Scott E Young.

2nd-Turf Paradise, \$25,130, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm

(\$75,000-\$50,000), 4-25, 3yo, 6f, 1:08.19, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

HOYA PARANOYA (g, 3, Mucho Macho Man--Lost in Success, by Successful Appeal) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-2, \$43,611. O-Jason R

Hall & Stephen Baker; B-Menoken Farms (CO); T-Ty J Garrett.

5th-Will Rogers Downs, \$25,080, (S), 4-25, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.88, gd, 7 lengths.

TAKE ME SERIOUS (f, 3, Munnings--Southern Equity {SP}, by After Market) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-2, \$54,816. O/B-Bryan Hawk (OK); T-Joe S Offolter.

8th-Finger Lakes, \$24,000, (S), 4-25, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :53.23, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

SWEET SHALLOTS (m, 7, Posse--Gonna Be Love, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: 46-9-6-6, \$128,217. O/B-Carl Buhr (NY); T-Debra A Breed.

7th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$22,848, 4-24, (NW4LX), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51.89, ft, 5 lengths.

CONCRETE GLORY (g, 3, Bodemeister--Take It Inside, by Disco Rico) Lifetime Record: 12-4-1-0, \$79,504. O-Carl L Hess Jr; B-Bodemeister Syndicate & Kyle M Horlacher (PA); T-Gerald E Brooks. *\$14,000 Wlg '19 EASDEC.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Tilly Manilly, f, 3, Cowtown Cat--Mendassity, by Touch Gold.

Thistledown, 4-25, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07.84. Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-2, \$30,702. B-Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH).

Ashleys Cupcake, f, 3, Dark Kestrel--Ashleys Ramona, by City Weekend. Thistledown, 4-25, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06.62. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-1, \$51,888. B-Harry D & Jody R Waite (OH).

Smart Storm, g, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Temperature Runnin, by Stormin Fever. Finger Lakes, 4-25, 4 1/2f, :53.39. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$18,450. B-Red Cloak Farm LLC (KY). *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$14,000 RNA 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

Winter Falcon, g, 3, Mizzen Mast--Bottle Walk, by Tale of the Cat. Golden Gate Fields, 4-24, 6f (AWT), 1:11.08. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$31,650. B-Chappell Alpine Farms (CA).

Holy Cowboy, g, 4, Soaring Empire--Queen Bonnie, by Bernstein. Finger Lakes, 4-25, 4 1/2f, :53.24. Lifetime Record: 15-1-2-2, \$41,043. B-Carl Buhr (NY).

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- Bold Warrior**, Uottalikeit, c, 3, o/o Poco Uno, by E Dubai. ALW, 4-25, Thistledown
- Bourbon Courage**, Fortheluvofbourbon, g, 5, o/o Nosubstituteforluv, by Not For Love. Page McKenney H., 4-25, Parx Racing
- Commissioner**, Mission Girl, f, 3, o/o Brier Hill Girl, by Dark Kestrel. ALW, 4-25, Thistledown
- Cowtown Cat**, Tilly Manilly, f, 3, o/o Mendassity, by Touch Gold. MSW, 4-25, Thistledown
- Dark Kestrel**, Ashleys Cupcake, f, 3, o/o Ashleys Ramona, by City Weekend. MSW, 4-25, Thistledown
- Exaggerator**, Condescending, f, 2, o/o Tiz Rude, by Tiznow. MSW, 4-25, Parx Racing
- Exceed And Excel (Aus)**, Natural Colour (GB), f, 4, o/o Safiyna (Fr), by Sinndar (Ire). ALW, 4-24, Golden Gate

- Golden Lad**, Cinnabunny, m, 5, o/o English Mum, by Congrats. Unique Bella S., 4-25, Parx Racing
- Indian Firewater**, Maddie Poppe, f, 4, o/o Cadence, by **Curlin**. ALW, 4-24, Sunray
- Lookin At Lucky**, Smart Storm, g, 3, o/o Temperature Runnin, by Stormin Fever. MSW, 4-25, Finger Lakes
- Mark Valeski**, Owen's Pleasure, f, 4, o/o Revengefulpleasure, by Stephen Got Even. AOC, 4-25, Parx Racing
- Mizzen Mast**, Winter Falcon, g, 3, o/o Bottle Walk, by Tale of the Cat. MSW, 4-24, Golden Gate
- Mucho Macho Man**, Hoya Paranoya, g, 3, o/o Lost in Success, by Successful Appeal. AOC, 4-25, Turf Paradise
- Munnings**, Take Me Serious, f, 3, o/o Southern Equity, by After Market. ALW, 4-25, Will Rogers
- Overanalyze**, Allevare, g, 3, o/o Discreetlin, by Discreetly Mine. AOC, 4-25, Parx Racing
- Posse**, Sweet Shallots, m, 7, o/o Gonna Be Love, by Not For Love. ALW, 4-25, Finger Lakes
- Ready's Image**, Indelible Image, f, 4, o/o Music Miss, by Prospector's Music. ALW, 4-25, Thistledown
- Soaring Empire**, Holy Cowboy, g, 4, o/o Queen Bonnie, by Bernstein. MSW, 4-25, Finger Lakes

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Oaks contender Nashwa with owner-breeder Imad Al Sagar and Ben de Paiva, who also used to ride Enable | Nancy Sexton

By Emma Berry

A few weeks ago the bookmaker Fitzdares made Dubawi (Ire) favourite to be champion sire this year for the first time, and perhaps no horse deserves it more than Darley's utterly dependable 20-year-old. However, the race to the top will not be easy, particularly judging by the apparent strength in depth of the challenge of Frankel's offspring for this year's major races. Though the reigning champion, as well as the Gosden stable and owner-breeder Cheveley Park Stud, were dealt a blow by the withdrawal of Inspiral (GB) from Sunday's QIPCO 1000 Guineas, the season is but young. The G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot now seems to be the favoured target for Inspiral's reappearance, and naturally she also holds entries for the Irish 1000 Guineas and the Oaks. In the meantime, Frankel has not been short of promising 3-year-olds to represent him in the past week, with a number of them signalling the blossoming of the Gosden yard, which had been a little slower to spring to life this season compared to last. The six winners from Clarehaven Stables over the last seven days included a Saturday double from Nashwa (GB) and Magisterial (GB), both by Frankel and both with Epsom on their agenda. Nashwa represents the 'Cracksman cross' of Frankel on Pivotal (GB), the filly's dam, Princess Loulou (Ire) having been bought as a yearling from breeder David Brown of Furnace Mill Stud for 310,000gns. [Cont. p2](#)

NATIVE TRAIL HEADS 19 IN 2000 GUINEAS

Following Monday's confirmation stage, Godolphin's **Native Trail (GB)** (**Oasis Dream {GB}**) appears to be the one to beat among 19 colts in Saturday's G1 Qipco 2000 Guineas at Newmarket. Undeclared in five career starts, the recent G3 Craven S. winner is odds-on with some bookmakers to provide trainer Charlie Appleby with a first victory in the Rowley Mile Classic. Appleby will also be represented by **Coroebus (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who will be ridden by James Doyle.

Native Trail and Coroebus are among the top two choices for Saturday's feature in addition to unbeaten Group 1 winner **Luxembourg (Ire)** (**Camelot {GB}**), who is one of three potential Ballydoyle representatives along with **Glounthaune (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}) and **Point Lonsdale (Ire)** (**Australia {GB}**). Also included among this season's Classic contenders is **Dubawi Legend (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who was only two lengths behind Native Trail when runner-up in last year's G1 Dewhurst S. [Cont. p6](#)

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Seven Days

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Having raced for the partnership of Imad Al Sagar and Saleh Al Homaizi, finishing runner-up in the G1 Prix Jean Romanet and then landing the Listed Gillies Fillies' S. on her final start, Princess Loulou is now wholly owned by Al Sagar. The Kuwaiti owner-breeder has continued to be a significant solo presence among the British ranks and earlier this year bolstered his team at Blue Diamond Stud with the appointments of Teddy Grimthorpe and Ted Voute. Nashwa's odds quartered for the Oaks following her facile win on Saturday, and she would be fully deserving of a place at Epsom in a bid to give her owner his chance of celebrating a third Classic success following Authorized (Ire) in the Derby and Araafa (Ire) in the Irish 2000 Guineas. Owner-breeder Bjorn Nielsen has made no secret of how he yearns to win the Derby, and he has a potential candidate this year in Magisterial, the Frankel colt out of Hoity Toity (GB) (Darshaan {GB}). Epsom omens can be found not too far away in his pedigree as Magisterial's half-sister Lillie Langtry

(Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) is the dam of the 2016 Oaks heroine Minding (Ire), by Frankel's sire Galileo (Ire), and indeed that mighty racemare's full-sister Tuesday (Ire) is currently favourite for this year's Oaks following her maiden win at Naas in March.

A Day At The Races

Second-favourite to Tuesday in the Oaks betting following the most visually impressive performance of last week is another Gosden trainee, Emily Upjohn (GB) (*Sea The Stars {Ire}*). Bred under a foal-share arrangement between her sire's owner, the Tsuis' Sunderland Holdings, and Lordship Stud, the statuesque filly was let go as a yearling for 60,000gns at October Book 2. She now has two wins to her name from two starts, and carried

seven pounds more than her 11 rivals on Friday for her initial victory at Wolverhampton last November, which makes her nine-and-a-half-length win even more noteworthy.

"Not many horses take my breath away," said Frankie Dettori after dismounting from Emily Upjohn, who takes her name from a character in the Marx Brothers film A Day At The Races and hails from the immediate family of *Sea The Stars*'s Derby winner Harzand (Ire). The jockey, who would know better than anyone, added



Emily Upjohn routs her rivals | *Racingfotos.com*

ominously, "Enable was big and it never stopped her." John Gosden has won the Oaks three times in the last eight years, starting with another daughter of *Sea The Stars*, Taghrooda (Ire). The stable looks well placed to add Thady Gosden's name to a Classic roll of honour this season, even without Inspirial lining up this Sunday at Newmarket.



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Frankel Abounds

Godolphin weren't exactly short of Derby entries, with 13 remaining in the list, but that number was boosted by one last Tuesday when a rare well-bred colt without an entry, Nahanni (GB)--yep, you've guessed it, another son of **Frankel**--landed the 'win and you're in' Listed Cazoo Blue Riband Trial at Epsom. Out of a Street Cry (Ire) half-sister to Godolphin's St Leger winner **Mastery** (GB) (Sulamani {Ire}), Nahanni is already a winner over the Derby distance, but at least four of his Charlie Appleby stable-mates remain ahead of him in the betting. Friday's G3 Classic Trial at Sandown went the way of yet another **Frankel**, the Juddmonte homebred Westover (GB), who narrowly came out on top after a tussle with Cash (Ire) (Shamardal). Trained by Ralph Beckett, Westover is a full-brother to Monarchs Glen (GB), one of **Frankel**'s earliest stakes winners. Their dam Mirabilis (Lear Fan)--a Grade III winner in 2006 for the man whom **Frankel** was named--is a half-sister to the G1 Prix de Diane winner Nebraska Tornado (Storm Cat). It was disappointing to see only three runners for the G3 Gordon Richards S. on Sandown's Friday card and, with two of those being by **Frankel**, it was no surprise to see him with yet another back-type victor to his credit. This time it was his 4-year-old son Mostahdaf (GB), owned and bred by Shadwell, and it was another good result for the resurgent Gosden stable, which was also previously home to Mostahdaf's dual Group 1-winning half-sister Nazeef (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

Mountain High

Among a potentially strong team of older horses for **Frankel** this season is Kirsten Rausing's treble Group 1 winner Alpinista (GB), who looks set to return in the G1 Coronation Cup, in which she could face last year's Derby winner Adayar (Ire), who shares her sire.

Alpinista was the first foal of her dam Alwilda (GB), a Listed-winning daughter of the late Lanwades sire Hernando (Fr) and Albanova (GB) (Alzao), who, like her grand-daughter, also won three Group 1 races in Germany.

Alwilda's second foal, a 3-year-old filly named Alpenblume (GB) (Kendargent {Fr}), has been entrusted by her breeder to second-season Chantilly trainer and old family friend Tim Donworth, who on Sunday sent the filly out to win on debut at Le Pin au Haras.

Interestingly, Scandinavian legend cites Alwilda as a princess-turned-pirate, and she was the inspiration for the tragic poem Il Re Torrismondo, by Torquato Tasso. Food for thought for future mating plans when last year's Arc winner retires to stud.



Ascot Pointers

While Frankel's runners have been dominating the news this week, the name currently at the head of the general sires' list in Europe is Dark Angel (Ire), and he was represented by a hotly anticipated runner on Thursday when Battaash's full-brother The Antarctic (Ire) overcame a little unrest in the stalls to win well on debut for Aidan O'Brien.

The colt, out of Anna Law (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}), was the first of two winners on the Tipperary card for his breeder Ballyphilip Stud. The second came in the following race when Messa Concertata (Ire) (Ardad {Ire}), who is also out of a Lawman mare, took the 3-year-old maiden for Joseph Murphy.

While it seems fair to assume that O'Brien will be aiming The Antarctic towards Royal Ascot, one of his winners last week who confirmed his ticket to Berkshire was New York City (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), who has the G1 Commonwealth Cup on his agenda after winning the Listed Committed S. at Navan. Both Aidan and Joseph O'Brien will now be high on the Christmas card list for the Cantillon family of Tinnakill House, who bred New York City from the G1 Falmouth S. winner Rajeem (GB) (Diktat {GB}), whom they purchased from Darley for €26,000 in 2015. Earlier that year the mare had foaled subsequent G2 Duke Of York S. winner Invincible Army (Ire), a full-brother to New York City who is now at Yeomanstown Stud alongside Dark Angel. The Tinnakill team also bred Joseph O'Brien's globetrotting stable star State Of Rest (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), winner of the G1 Cox Plate and GI Saratoga Derby.



Alwilda with Alpenblume as a foal / Lanwades

A True Gem

Moyglare Stud has enjoyed a decent start to the season, with Group 3 winner Homeless Songs (Ire) (Frankel {GB}), who remains in the picture for Sunday's 1000 Guineas, and first-time-out juvenile winner Tough Talk (Ire) (Kingman {GB}). Better still, on Saturday Eva Bucher-Haefner's operation had the first two home in the Listed Vintage Crop S with full-siblings, the third-generation homebreds Kyprios (Ire) and Search For A Song

(Ire), both by Galileo and aged four and six respectively. They are but two of eight black-type winners for their dam Polished Gem (Ire) (Danehill), two of whom, Search For A Song and Free Eagle (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), are Group 1 winners. Now a true blue hen for Moyglare, Polished Gem's sole win in five starts came in a Leopardstown maiden, and she was outshone on the track by her full-sister, the GI Matriarch S. winner Dress To Thrill (Ire), who won six stakes races and was runner-up in the G1

Moyglare Stud S. Less fortunate at stud, however, Dress To Thrill left six foals, only two of whom won, before she died as an 11-year-old.

Another of their siblings, Trust In Luck (Ire) (Nashwan), features as the grand-dam of the G1 National S. winner Thunder Moon (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}).



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Chez Pierre Remains Unbeaten

Mehmas (Ire) hasn't put a foot wrong since retiring to Tally-Ho Stud, and has been both the leading first- and second-crop sire in Europe. His statistics in the U.S. make for interesting reading, too, albeit from a small sample to date, though it's easy to see that changing in the coming years, especially with the renewed participation of American buyers at European yearling sales. Over the weekend, Chez Pierre (Fr), who was unbeaten in France when trained by Francis Graffard, has kept a clean sheet since being sold to race in the States, winning at Tampa Bay in March before landing his first stakes success in the Listed Henry S Clark S. at Laurel Park for Lael Stables and trainer Arnaud Delacour.

Chez Pierre is the third black-type winner in America for Mehmas following GI Del Mar Oaks victrix Going Global (Ire), who is a winning machine across the Atlantic with six graded stakes to her name, and the listed winner Quatroelle (Ire). Malavath (Ire), who has to have a decent chance of giving Mehmas his first Classic winner in Sunday's 1000 Guineas, was second in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, while Tetragonal (Ire), Keeper Of Time (Ire) and Optimising (Ire) are also stakes placed. In total, of Mehmas's 14 runners in America, eight have won.

Rogue In Vogue

There aren't too many Dubawi fillies who change hands for 35,000gns, but that was the price paid for Rogue Millennium (Ire), who was bought by Billy Jackson-Stops on behalf of trainer Tom Clover and owners The Rogues Gallery from the Shadwell draft last December.

In a good week for the Newmarket trainer, the 3-year-old out of the G3 Cumberland Lodge S. winner Hawaafez (GB) (Nayef) made her debut at Wetherby and hinted at a bright future ahead with a decisive win. Her page also has plenty of depth to it, featuring Group 1 winners Moonlight Cloud (GB), Generous (Ire) and Imagine (Ire).

It wasn't only the Clover stable celebrating the victory as Robbie Mills of RMM Bloodstock consigns Rogue Millennium's half-sister by Awtaad (Ire) to this week's Guineas Breeze-up Sale at Tattersalls as Lot 315. With a perfectly-timed update, let's hope she posts a similarly well-timed breeze on the Rowley Mile on Tuesday morning.

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“His turn of foot and his change of gear is what’s exciting about him,” said trainer Hugo Palmer, who won the 2000 Guineas six years ago with Galileo Gold. “On a rating of 115, he was the joint second highest-rated 2-year-old in Europe. Galileo Gold at the same stage was rated 110, so he is the best 2-year-old I’ve trained without a doubt.”

Tom Marquand has been booked to ride the colt.

In regard to his competition, Palmer added, “Native Trail beat a whole lot of maiden winners and horses that were 50-1 for the Guineas in the Craven. At the same time, I don’t think William Buick had to hit him more than once and he beat them three and a half lengths and you don’t know what was there.”

“I think it’s going to be a pretty big field on Saturday. There’s 19 left in and you don’t stay in for free, so you must stay in with the thought of you’re going to run.”

“I can’t help but think a bigger field will hinder Native Trail as there’ll be some non-stayers stopping in front of him. There’ll be some non-stayers stopping in front of us as well, of course.”

Palmer recently moved from Newmarket to Cheshire to replace Tom Dascombe at the helm at Michael Owen’s Manor House Stables.

Other contenders include Richard Fahey’s **Perfect Power (Ire)** (Ardad {Ire}), who won two Group 1s last season and made a successful return in the G3 Greenham S. at Newbury Apr. 16.

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TENEBRISM TOPS 16 IN 1000 GUINEAS

Undefeated **Tenebrism (Caravaggio)** is the 11-4 early choice among 16 confirmations for Sunday’s Qipco 1000 Guineas at Newmarket. Long-time ante-post favourite Inspiral (GB) (Frankel {GB}) was ruled out of the fillies’ Classic Sunday. Trained by Aidan O’Brien, the G1 Cheveley Park S. heroine will attempt to give the trainer his sixth win in the race in seven years. O’Brien may also be represented by maiden winners **Toy (Ire)** (Galileo

{Ire}) and **Tuesday (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}).

Included among Irish-breds who are also possible to run Sunday are Group 3 winner **Homeless Songs (Ire)** (Frankel {GB}) and G1 Moyglare Stud S. victress **Discoveries (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), a full-sister to Irish 1000 Guineas scorer Alpha Centuri, also trained by Jessica Harrington. Homeless Song, tackling a mile for the first time, may sidestep Sunday’s race in favor of the French equivalent May 15. However, one likely to favour of staying local rather than a trip to ParisLongchamp is G3 Fred Darling S. winner **Wild Beauty (GB)** (Frankel {GB}), who is Godolphin’s sole representative in the race.

Represented by his first Classic runner, James Ferguson is on course to saddle G3 Prestige S. scorer **Mise En Scene (GB)** (Siyouni {Fr}), fourth in the Fillies’ Mile over the 1000 Guineas track and trip, before running down the field when making the trip to Del Mar for the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf.

David Redvers, racing manager for Qatar Racing, who own the filly, explained, “She was possibly unlucky not to finish second at Newmarket. If she finished second, she would be among favouritism at the moment.”

“The race didn’t work out at all for her in the Breeders’ Cup. She was poorly drawn, went forward, was pushed wide and the whole thing was a non-event.”

Mise En Scene, currently an 11-1 chance with Coral for the Guineas, will be reunited with Cieren Fallon.

“Oisin Murphy rode her in a piece of work on Tuesday morning and was delighted with her,” he said. “She seems to have come forward very well. She hardly blew a candle out afterwards and didn’t get out of second gear, apparently,” added Redvers.

“We know she handles Newmarket and a straight mile should not provoke any problems at all. You never know until fillies run how they are going to go.”

“Physically and mentally, she has appeared to have done extremely well and we can only hope and keep our fingers crossed that she gets a bit of luck in running and proves how good she is.”



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Malavath (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), runner-up on Breeders' Cup day last fall, bested **Zellie (Fr)** (**Wootton Bassett** {GB}) when they met in Deauville's G3 Prix Imprudence on heavy ground last month and the duo could meet again. Tom Marquand gets the call on the latter.

Also included in the Classic lineup are G3 Nell Gwyn S. heroine **Cachet (Ire)** (Aclaim {Ire}), who bids to give trainer George Boughey his first Classic success, **Hello You (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), and recent maiden winner **Ameynah (Ire)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}).

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RISING STARDOM AND BELLE DE JOUR FOR DENEUVE AT NAAS

Monday's Irish Stallion Farms EBF Fillies Maiden at Naas was under the co-sponsorship of Coolmore's **No Nay Never** in 2017 and 2018, when Alpha Centauri (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) and Fairyland (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) launched their Group 1-laden careers by earning 'TDN Rising Star' status in the six-furlong contest, and this term's renewal went the way of Coolmore and

Westerberg's **Deneuve (Ire)**, a daughter of **No Nay Never**, who emulated those illustrious distaffers by digging deep for a debut success and a 'TDN Rising Star' of her own. The 13-8 favourite looked ready for the task beforehand and was well away to stalk the front two in a close third through halfway. Unflustered for the most part, she was nudged along passing the quarter-mile marker and exhibited a willing attitude, despite rolling around when quickening under late urging, to deny the tenacious pacesetter **Comanche Country (Ire)** (**Highland Reel** {Ire}) by a short head on the line. Her win was a fifth juvenile success, from just seven runners, for Aidan O'Brien.

"She's a grand filly and was babyish enough, but we haven't done an awful lot with her," said the winning trainer. "She did plenty early, but had a little bit of a hold-up about six weeks ago and was only just ready to come racing today. We thought it was a lovely race for her. It was lovely ground, it's a lovely track and we thought the experience would do her good. Ryan [Moore] was very happy with her, he nursed her as best he could and felt there should be plenty of progress to come. We'll probably give her two to three weeks before she comes back. It will be interesting to see how much progress she does make. It's possible she could make plenty."



Deneuve (No Nay Never) was named a TDN Rising Star after a tenacious win at Naas.

This represented the sire's second Rising Star in three days, after **Aesop's Fables** on Saturday at Navan. [Race replay](#). | racingfotos.com

Deneuve is the lone registered foal produced by MGSW G1 Phoenix S. third Actress (Ire) (Declaration of War), runner-up to Alpha Centauri in the 2017 renewal of this heat, who is a daughter of MGSW GI Spinaway S. second Nasty Storm (Gulch). Descendants of Nasty Storm, herself out of a multiple-winning half to MGSP sire Majesty's Imp (His Majesty), include last term's leading Italian juvenile filly and G2 Premio Dormello winner Atamisque (Ire) (**Highland Reel {Ire}**), GIII Santa Barbara S. victrix Causeforcommotion (Americain), G2 Gran Criterium third Amyntas (Ity) (Desert Prince {Ire}) and GIII Sweetest Chant S. third Born To Be Winner (Einstein {Brz}).

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1st-Naas, €16,000, Mdn, 4-25, 2yo, f, 5f 205yT, 1:13.23, gd.

DENEUVE (IRE), f, 2, by No Nay Never

**1st Dam: Actress (Ire) (MGSW & G1SP-Ire, \$159,868),
by Declaration of War**

2nd Dam: Nasty Storm, by Gulch

3rd Dam: A Stark Is Born, by Graustark

1ST-TIME STARTER. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,379. O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Westerberg; B-Coolmore (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

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16.45 Naas, Mdn, €16,000, 2yo, f, 5f 205yT

Coolmore and Westerberg's **Deneuve (Ire) (No Nay Never)**, a daughter of MGSW G1 Phoenix S. third Actress (Ire) (Declaration of War), shaped with abundant promise and earned 'TDN Rising Star' status, despite winning by a narrow margin, in a heat won previously by subsequent MG1SW distaffers Alpha Centauri (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) and Fairyland (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}).

18.45 Naas, Mdn, €12,500, 3yo, f, 10ft

Aidan O'Brien trainee **Champagne (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), another Coolmore and Westerberg debutante, bagged the blueblood-of-the-day rosette with her being a full-sister to MG1SW G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe heroine Found (Ire) out of dual Group 1 victrix Red Evie (Ire) (Intikhab). Tenderly handled from off the pace in the straight, she finished 8 1/4 lengths adrift of stablemate **Emily Dickinson (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) in a never-dangerous eighth.

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UNITED KINGDOM

Expert Eye (GB) (Acclamation {GB}), Banstead Manor Stud
97 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
14:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Family Ties (Ire)

Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
105 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
14:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Final Judgement (GB)
30,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2020

Havana Grey (GB) (Havana Gold {Ire}), Whitsbury Manor Stud
115 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
14:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Girl Magic (GB)
24,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2021
13:50-BRIGHTON, 5.25f, Hot In Havana (GB)
2,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2021
14:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Radio Goo Goo (GB)
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Massaat (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), Mickley Stud
70 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
14:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Emerald Duchess (GB)
20,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2021

BRITAIN

Monday's Results:

1st-Southwell, £10K, Nov, 4-25, 2yo, 4f 214y (AWT), :58.97, st/sl
**EDDIE'S BOY (GB) (c, 2, Havana Grey {GB}--Spontaneity {Ire},
by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire})** broke smartly and raced in front
end from flagfall. Wandering around when taking an outright
lead inside the quarter-mile marker, the 11-8 was driven along
passing the furlong pole and kept on well to comfortably hold
Zephina (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}) by a half length, becoming the third
winner for his freshman sire (by Havana Gold {Ire}). Eddie's Boy
is the seventh of eight foals and fourth scorer produced by a
daughter of Listed Rous S. victrix Blue Iris (GB) (Petong {GB}),
whose descendants include the pattern-race winners Swiss Diva
(GB) (Pivotal {GB}), Swiss Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and
Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}). Sales history: 45,000gns Ylg '21
TATSOM. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,936.
1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Middleham Park Racing XLV & Partner;
B-Crossfields Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Archie Watson.

1st-Ayr, £7,500, Mdn, 4-25, 2yo, 5fT, 1:00.51, gd.

BEAUTIFUL EYES (GB) (f, 2, Bobby's Kitten--Forthefirstime {GB} {SW-Ire}, by Dr Fong) was swiftly into stride and raced on the front end throughout this debut. Last to come off the bridle after halfway, the 11-2 chance was shaken up approaching the final furlong and ridden out in the closing stages to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Looking For Lynda (Ire) (Unfortunately {Ire}). "She travelled comfortably throughout the race," said rider Joe Fanning. "She's streetwise, she'll come on for the run and there's a bit of improvement in her." Beautiful Eyes, the latest of eight foals, becomes the sixth scorer for Listed Flame of Tara S. winner Forthefirstime (GB) (Dr Fong), herself a half-sister to Listed National S. victrix and G3 Prix du Bois third Pyman's Theory (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). Sales history: £10,000 Ylg '21 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,202.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Around The World Partnership; B-Worksop Manor Stud (GB); T-Charlie & Mark Johnston.

4th-Southwell, £7,300, Nov, 4-25, 3yo/up, 8f 13y (AWT), 1:42.14, st/sl.

WHITE WOLF (IRE) (c, 3, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Long Lashes {GSW-Eng, SW-Ire & GSP-UAE, \$146,395}, by Rock Hard Ten) settled off the tempo in mid division after cutting across from the outside gate in this belated debut. Tanking forward from halfway, the 9-4 chalk came under pressure off the home turn and was relentless under forceful urging inside the final quarter mile to deny Bearaway (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) by a half length nearing the line. White Wolf is the sixth of seven live foals and third scorer out of G3 Sweet Solera S. victrix Long Lashes (Rock Hard Ten), herself kin to three black-type performers headed by GI Santa Anita H. hero **Combatant** (Scat Daddy). The April-foaled homebred bay is half to a 2-year-old filly by Dark Angel (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,064.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dunnington Lad (Ire), c, 2, **Camacho (GB)**--Streetlady (SP-US), by **Street Boss**. Royal Windsor, 4-25, 5f 21yT, 1:00.90. B-Grangemore Stud (IRE). *£16,000 Ylg '21 GOFFUK.

Moonlight Frolic (GB), f, 3, **Bated Breath (GB)**--Chicita Banana (GB), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Thirsk, 4-25, 7f 218yT, 1:40.04. B-James Ortega Bloodstock Ltd (GB). *£15,000 Ylg '20 GOFFUK. **1/2 to Banana Split (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}), SP-Ger.

Sassi Neri (GB), f, 3, **Nathaniel (Ire)**--Secret Soul (GB), by Street Cry (Ire). Lingfield, 4-25, 12f (AWT), 2:35.35. B-Newsells Park Stud (GB).

Emeralds Pride (GB), f, 3, **Pride of Dubai (Aus)**--Emeralds Spirit (Ire), by **Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)**. Thirsk, 4-25, 6fT, 1:12.07. B-T A Scothern (GB). *£6,000 RNA Ylg '20 GOFAUT.

Deauville Legend (Ire), g, 3, **Sea The Stars (Ire)**--Soho Rose (Ire) (SW-Ger & SP-Fr), by Hernando (Fr). Royal Windsor, 4-25, 10fT, 2:09.03. B-GB Partnership (IRE). *€200,000 Ylg '20 ARDEAY. **Full to Sea La Rosa (IRE), SW & GSP-Eng, \$113,726; and Dean Street Doll (Ire) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**), GSP-Ire.

Post Impressionist (Ire), g, 3, **Teofilo (Ire)**--Island Remede (GB) (GSP-Eng, MSP-Ire), by Medicean (GB). Ayr, 4-25, 8fT, 1:42.55. B-Mrs David Egan (IRE). *260,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT; 54,000gns 2yo '21 TATAHI.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

5th-Bordeaux-Le Bouscat, €22,000, Cond, 4-25, 3yo, 7fT, 1:29.86, vsf.

SARWAR (FR) (g, 3, Pedro the Great--Snow Jasmine {Ire}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-3-0, €37,900. O/T-Henri-Francois Devin; B-Erwan Robin, Mme Carine Robin & Mme Albane Robin (FR). *€15,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Graine de Pastel (Fr), f, 3, **Ribchester (Ire)**--Lucelle (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). Bordeaux-Le Bouscat, 4-25, 9 1/2fT, 2:11.52. B-Haras de la Morsangliere & Ecurie des Charmes (FR). *€85,000 Ylg '20 ARQSEP.

IRELAND

Monday's Results:

WOODLANDS S.-Listed, €40,000, Naas, 4-25, 3yo/up, 5fT, :59.39, gd.

1--**ROMANTIC PROPOSAL (IRE), 135, m, 6, Raven's Pass--Playwithmyheart (GB), by Diktat (GB)**. (€25,000 Wlg '16 GOFNOV; €55,000 Ylg '17 GOFOR). O-Clipper Logistics Group Ltd; B-Fastnet Stud Ltd (IRE); T-Edward Lynam; J-Chris Hayes. €24,000. Lifetime Record: Hwt. Older Mare-Eur at 5-7f & G1SW-Ire, 19-6-3-3, \$398,940.

2--**Geocentric (Ire)**, 123, f, 3, **Kodiac (GB)**--Rajmahal (UAE), by Indian Ridge (Ire). (160,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). O-SBA Racing Ltd; B-Tally-Ho Stud (IRE); T-Ger Lyons. €8,000.

3--**Mooneista (Ire)**, 135, f, 4, **Dandy Man (Ire)**--Moon Unit (Ire), by Intikhab. O-Mrs Paula Davison; B-Killarkin Stud (IRE); T-Jack Davison. €4,000.

Margins: 3/4, 1, HF. Odds: 3.00, 2.75, 1.75.

Also Ran: Warrior Brave (GB), Quarantine Dreams (Ire), Gustavus Weston (Ire), Adams Barbour (Ire). Scratched: Logo Hunter (Ire), Majestic Colt (Ire), Urban Beat (Ire).

Romantic Proposal's steady rise through the black-type ranks culminated in a career high in September's G1 Flying Five S. and she closed her 2021 campaign with a never-dangerous 10th of 14 in October's G1 Prix de l'Abbaye last time. Under a firm hold just behind the leaders in fifth deep into this straight dash, the 3-1 chance loomed large hard on the steel approaching the final furlong and was not for catching once shaken up to seize control with 100 yards remaining, comfortably accounting for Listed Legacy S. victrix Geocentric (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) by 3/4-of-a-length for a third black-type triumph.

"I just tick away with her, I haven't done a lot with her and she was good there today," said trainer Edward Lynam. "She has definitely got stronger and I knew she was in great form, but I thought she might just need it. They have done a good job here with the going and just took the sting out of the ground. She was fine on it and the dream is still alive. She came back from her winter break looking brilliant and hasn't missed a day. In hindsight, 3-1 about a Group 1 winner in a Listed race might have been a bit of value. She is in two Group 2 six-furlong races next month, the Greenlands and the Duke of York. The jockey and trainer are sitting on the fence as regards her best trip so we'll probably run her over six and then make up our mind about Royal Ascot. The Duke of York is sponsored by a certain crowd called [owner] Clipper Logistics, but the Greenlands is a lot nearer home."

Romantic Proposal, half to a yearling colt by Mastercraftsman (Ire) and the fourth of six foals, is the leading performer from four winners produced by a winning half-sister to G1 Prix de la Foret-winning sire Toysome (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) and G3 Firth of Clyde S. victrix Coral Mist (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}). Descendants of her second dam Treasure Trove (The Minstrel), herself kin to four stakes performers including the MGSW dam of G1 St Leger and G1 Gold Cup-winning sire Leading Light (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), also feature MSW G1 Felix de Alzaga Unzue runner-up Tesorilla Class (Arg) (Class), stakes-winning G1 Futurity Trophy third Western Australia (Ire) (Australia {GB}) and Listed Fairway S. victor Hoarding (Elusive Quality).

6th-Naas, €45,000, Hcp, 4-25, 3yo, 8fT, 1:40.89, gd.
IVY LEAGUE (IRE) (c, 3, Galileo {Ire}--Timbuktu {Ire}, by Fastnet Rock {Aus}), who graduated in an Apr.8 Dundalk maiden last time, found a smooth rhythm behind the leaders along the rail in fourth for most of this handicap bow. Angled outside for his bid approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 10-3 second choice was pushed to the front passing the eighth pole and drew off late to prevail by 3 1/4 lengths from Fiach McHugh (Ire) (Belardo {Ire}). "He was babyish when he got there in Dundalk and he was babyish here too, but he's a big, strong horse and

did it nicely," said Aidan O'Brien of the June 4 G1 Epsom Derby and June 25 G1 Irish Derby entry. "He's a big, powerful horse that is probably going to progress and he's just taken a while to get it together. I would think he'll go for a stakes race next and he'd have no problem stepping in there. I'd say he'd love horses to be going in front of him rather than getting there too quick."

Ivy League is the third of five foals, all by Galileo (Ire) out of a half-sister to MSW G2 Champagne S. and G3 Solario S. placegetter Tha'ir (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), stakes-winning G3 Hamburger Stutenmeile runner-up Flashing Colour (Ger) (Pivotal {GB}) and Listed Dresdner Herbstpreis second Flash Dance (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). The May-foaled bay is a full-brother to G2 Royal Lodge S. runner-up and G2 Futurity S. third Ontario (Ire), the hitherto unraced 2-year-old colt African Star (Ire) and a yearling colt. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$37,679.

O-Westerberg, Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Coolmore (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien.

5th-Naas, €12,500, Mdn, 4-25, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:10.52, gd.
EMILY DICKINSON (IRE) (f, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Chicquita {Ire} {Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 11-14f, G1SW-Ire, G1SP-Eng & Fr, \$859,094}, by Montjeu {Ire}), fifth in the Apr. 6 Leopardstown maiden won by 'TDN Rising Star' Above The Curve (American Pharoah) on sophomore return last time, was off the pace in a midfield slot for most of this one. Urged closer once into the home straight, the 11-10 pick went fifth entering the final eighth and quickened in good style under mainly whipless rousting to deny Red Azalea (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) by a neck in the dying strides. "Ryan [Moore] said she was still very green and, when he went to come through, they kept coming over in front of him," said Aidan O'Brien. "They went a good gallop and she stayed very well. I'd be very happy to step up in distance and she'll probably go for an Oaks trial." Emily Dickinson is the third foal and scorer produced by G1 Irish Oaks heroine Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), herself kin to G1 MacKinnon S. victrix Magic Wand (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and GSW G1 Prix de Diane runner-up Philomene (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}). The April-foaled bay is full to a 2-year-old filly and a yearling filly. She is also a half-sister to G1 Irish Oaks and GI American Oaks placegetter Nicest (Ire) (American Pharoah) and G3 Silver Flash S. third Secret Thoughts (War Front). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$8,436.

O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Westerberg; B-Chicquita Syndicate (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien.

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**IN JAPAN:**

Donna Sereno (GB), f, 4, **Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)**--Nuovo Record (Jpn) (G1SW-Jpn, GSW-US, G1SP-HK, \$5,120,663), by Heart's Cry (Jpn). Tokyo, 4-24, Cond., 1800mT, 1:46.40. Lifetime Record: 11-3-0-3, \$309,083. O-Reiko Hara; B-Hara Reiko Racing Co Ltd; T-Shogo Yasuda. *More recent produce include the 3-year-old filly Curcuma (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**), a 2-year-old filly by **Kingman (GB)** and a yearling colt by the latter.

IN AUSTRALIA:

Makram (Ire), g, 5, **Make Believe (GB)**--Spontaneous (Ire), by Sinnadar (Ire). Flemington, 4-25, Hcp., 1700mT, 1:43.23. B-Frank Dunne. *€90,000 Ylg '18 GOFORB; 340,000gns HRA '21 TATAUT.

Steel Prince (Ire), g, 8, **Nathaniel (Ire)**--Steel Princess (Ire) (GSW-Fr), by Danehill. Flemington, 4-25, Hcp., 2600mT, 2:42.87. B-Grangecon Stud. *1/2 to Sarah Lynx (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), GISW-Can, GSW-Fr, \$1,101,468; Sugar Boy (Ire) (Authorized {Ire}), GSW-Eng, SW & GSP-Ire, \$162,681; and Influx (Ire) (Golden Horn {GB}), GSP-Fr. **GSW-Aus. ***500,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT.

EASTERN EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

Arkhangelsk (Ire), c, 3, **Acclamation (GB)**--Ardingly (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Velka Chuchle (Czech Republic), 4-24, 1400mT. B-Valentin Bukhtoyarov.

Jolly Jumper (Ire), c, 3, **Free Eagle (Ire)**--Laura's Oasis (GB), by **Oasis Dream (GB)**. Sluzewiec (Poland), 4-24, 1800mT. B-Michael Enright. *£3,500 Ylg '20 GOFUCT. **VIDEO (SC 3)**

American Charlie (Fr), c, 3, **Myboycharlie (Ire)**--Terra Fina (GB), by American Post (GB). Velka Chuchle (Czech Republic), 4-24, 1800mT. B-Bloodstock Agency Ltd & Serge Mastey. *€4,500 Ylg '20 ARQFEB.

Matt Machine (Ire), c, 3, **Outstrip (GB)**--Peace Fonic (Fr), by Zafonic. Sluzewiec (Poland), 4-24, 1600mT. B-Mount Coote Estates & Sonia Purcell. *Hwt. 2yo-Pol. **1/2 to Peace and Liberty (Fr) (Statue of Liberty), SW-Fr. **€3,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; £8,000 Ylg '20 GOFUCT. **VIDEO (SC 4)**

Cannacore (Ire), f, 3, **Ulysses (Ire)**--Apura (Ire), by **Oasis Dream (GB)**. Sluzewiec (Poland), 4-24, 1600mT. B-The Niarchos Family. *£10,000 Ylg '20 GOFUCT. **VIDEO (SC 2)**

Petarda (Ire), g, 4, **Free Eagle (Ire)**--Peppard (GB), by Dansili (GB). Bratislava (Slovakia), 4-23, 1800mT. B-Mags O'Donovan. *€28,000 Ylg '19 TISEP. **VIDEO (SC 1)**

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Senorita Rapido (Ire), f, 3, **Buratino (Ire)**--St Edith (Ire), by Desert King (Ire). Kincsem Park (Hungary), 4-24, 1400m (AWT). B-Fergal Roche. *1ST-TIME STARTER. **€2,500 Wlg '20 GOFNOV. **VIDEO (SC 10)**

Hello Hola Hay (Fr), c, 3, **Zarak (Fr)**--Hawwa (Fr), by Turtle Bowl (Ire). Velka Chuchle (Czech Republic), 4-24, 2400mT. B-Jean-Marie Salhani. *€14,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT. **VIDEO (SC 4)**

Dame Shelby (Ire), f, 4, **Shalaa (Ire)**--Sommerflora (Ger) (SP-Ger), by Pivotal (GB). Kincsem Park (Hungary), 4-24, 1400m (AWT). B-Sommerflora Partnership. *1ST LOCAL START. **€3,000 HRA '21 GOFNOV. **VIDEO (SC 1)**

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Dark Angel (Ire) (2005) by Acclamation (GB) FYR: 2009 Crops: 12	6	17	3	6	1	1	169	49	60,272	813,658
	Stands: Yeomanstown Stud Ire Fee: €60,000									Tyrrhenian Sea (IRE)	
2	Dubawi (Ire) (‘02) by Dubai Millennium (GB) FYR: ‘07 Crops: 14	17	26	11	17	1	3	81	33	88,110	678,460
	Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £250,000									My Oberon (IRE)	
3	Siyouni (Fr) (2007) by Pivotal (GB) FYR: 2012 Crops: 9	3	7	2	3	--	--	136	39	65,217	671,327
	Stands: Haras de Bonneval Fr Fee: €140,000									Lights On (GB)	
4	Frankel (GB) (2008) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2014 Crops: 7	8	16	4	10	--	--	101	30	45,368	664,185
	Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £200,000									Westover (GB)	
5	Lope de Vega (Ire) (2007) by Shamardal FYR: 2012 Crops: 9	4	13	2	4	1	1	148	31	39,697	634,504
	Stands: Ballylinch Stud Ire Fee: €125,000									Max Vega (IRE)	
6	Dabirsim (Fr) (2009) by Hat Trick (Jpn) FYR: 2015 Crops: 6	--	2	--	2	--	--	150	32	29,324	594,840
	Stands: Haras de Grandcamp Fr Fee: €8,000									Le Cadeau (GB)	
7	Zoffany (Ire) (2008) by Dansili (GB) FYR: 2013 Crops: 8	2	5	1	4	--	--	129	26	53,093	566,236
	Stands: Coolmore Stud Ireland (Dead/Retired)									Johan (GB)	
8	Kingman (GB) (‘11) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: ‘16 Crops: 5	--	8	--	5	--	1	98	31	56,535	522,912
	Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £150k									Lower Street (GB)	
9	Oasis Dream (GB) (2000) by Green Desert FYR: 2005 Crops: 16	3	6	3	4	--	--	103	29	64,545	476,888
	Stands: Banstead Manor Eng Fee: £20k									HonorAndPleasure (GB)	
10	Kodiac (GB) (2001) by Danehill FYR: 2008 Crops: 13	2	6	--	1	--	--	180	31	31,114	467,829
	Stands: Tally-Ho Stud Ire Fee: €65,000									Night On Earth (IRE)	
11	Kendargent (Fr) (2003) by Kendor (Fr) FYR: 2009 Crops: 12	1	3	1	1	--	--	83	21	71,881	420,094
	Stands: Haras de Colleville Fr Fee: €17,000									Skalleti (FR)	
12	Invincible Spirit (Ire) (1997) by Green Desert FYR: 2004 Crops: 17	3	8	--	4	--	--	100	22	38,986	410,650
	Stands: Irish National Stud Ire Fee: €60,000									Enfranchise (IRE)	
13	Le Havre (Ire) (2006) by Noverre FYR: 2011 Crops: 10	--	1	--	--	--	--	81	26	37,521	409,276
	Stands: Haras deMontfort&Preaux (Dcd/Ret'd)									Dojo (FR)	
14	Dandy Man (Ire) (2003) by Mozart (Ire) FYR: 2011 Crops: 10	--	3	--	1	--	1	144	29	31,322	402,041
	Stands: Ballyhane Stud Ire Fee: €15,000									Lord of The Lodge (IRE)	
15	Iffraaj (GB) (2001) by Zafonic FYR: 2008 Crops: 13	1	6	--	3	--	--	119	27	40,995	399,019
	Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £17,500									Nirliit (FR)	